

In re Application of: Richard M. Peterson)
Serial No: 10/054,744)
Filed: November 13, 2001)
Confirmation No: 3562)
Title: Process For Producing Smoking Articles With Reduced)
Ignition Proclivity Characteristics And Products Made)
According To Same)
Group Art Unit: 1731
Examiner: D. A. Walls
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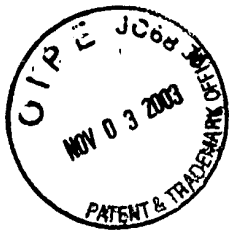
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Filed: November 13, 2001)	Confirmation No:	3562
For: Process For Producing Smoking)	Customer No:	22827
Articles With Reduced Ignition Proclivity)		
Characteristics And Products Made)		
According To Same)		

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Honorable Commissioner of
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2003, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.